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SUBJECT: ART EXCHANGE: HAMMER/HERMITAGE

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1. PRESS REPORTS FROM WASHINGTON (AND GOOD PRESS PLAY HERE IN SOVIETSKAYA KULTURA, PRAVDA, IZVESTIYA) ON NEW HAMMER ART EXCHANGE CONFORM SUBSTANTIALLY TO UNDERSTANDING WE RECEIVE FROM DEPUTY MINCULT V.I. POPOV AT SIGNING CEREMONY APRIL 3 AT WHICH HE WAS RANKING SOVIET OFFICIAL. HOWEVER, HAMMER DID CLEARLY INDICATE TO AMBASSADOR THAT OPENING DATE IN WASHINGTON WAS BEING LEFT FLEXIBLE SO THAT IT COULD BE ADJUSTED TO PRESENCE OF GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV IN WASHINGTON, EVEN IF THAT DID NOT COME ABOUT UNTIL SEPTEMBER. HE SPOKE ALSO OF SPONSORSHIP BY MRS. FORD.

2. PRESS RELEASE PUT OUT BY HAMMER ORGANIZATION HERE CITES THAT EXCHANGE WILL BE ONE OF OFFICIALLY DESIGNATED EVENTS OF BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, AND THAT IT HAS BEEN "WARMLY ENDORSED" BY ARBA ADMINISTRATOR WARNER AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY RICHARDSON. STOESEL

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